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For: **SURFACE** )  
**DECONTAMINATION OF** )  
**FRANKFURTERS AND** )  
**OTHER COOKED** )  
**SAUSAGE AND** )  
**PROCESSED MEAT AND** )  
**POULTRY PRODUCTS** )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A**

Commissioner For Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the specification as shown starting on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.

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